



## Routine Traffic Stop Results in Drug Bust

By Bob Melton  
County Editor

A Seminole man faces felony drug charges following a routine traffic stop that resulted in the alleged confiscation of 147.3 grams of methamphetamine. According to felony information filed in the District Court of Seminole County, Kevin Dean Hand, 33, has been charged with one count of Trafficking in Illegal Drugs (Methamphetamine). The information states that this crime is punishable

by imprisonment for 4 years to Life and fine of not less than \$25,000 to \$200,000.

The Probable Cause Affidavit filed in this case states that, on March 9 at approximately 8:00 p.m., Seminole Police Officer David Young observed a tan 2006 Chevrolet 4-door pickup turn west on Broadway from Milt Phillips Blvd. The driver, later identified as Hand, failed to give a signal before making an abrupt lane change.

Officer Young activated

his emergency lights, and the vehicle came to a stop in the driveway of a residence near the intersection of University and Broadway. He contacted the driver, who he immediately knew to be Hand, as he attempted to exit the vehicle. Hand was directed to remain in the vehicle and his driver's license and insurance verification was requested. Hand provided his driver's license and an expired insurance verification located on his phone. Officer Young

also identified a female passenger in the vehicle.

During a routine check of Hand's information, it was revealed his driving privileges had been suspended through the State of Oklahoma, the affidavit states. By this time Hand was sitting in the front seat of Young's patrol vehicle, and he was ordered to place his hands on the dash until he could be placed in custody.

As Hand was being placed in the rear driver's side of the patrol vehicle,

Officer Young noticed the female passenger exit the vehicle with several fast-food bags and walk towards the residence. The passenger was ordered to stop, and she complied immediately. Officer Young's partner, Officer Melissa Sharp, took control of the passenger and escorted her to the front of Young's patrol car.

While inventorying the vehicle Officer Young immediately located a set of digital scales that

(See Bust on Page 2)



Hand



### Burglary Suspects

A local businessman is asking for the public's help in identifying the truck pictured above, as it was used in a storage unit break in. The driver was a black male and the passenger was a white female with blond hair. Call police at (405) 382-3434 with info.

—Courtesy Photo

## Senate Bill Aimed at 'Straw Owners' in Weed Industry

News Release

Further major reforms to address illegal marijuana grows and other activities moved through the Senate this week. Senate Bill 475 by Sen. Lonnie Paxton, R-Tuttle, seeks to stop the industry's proliferation of illegal "straw owners", sets business restrictions for revoked registrations, and empowers the director of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control (OBNDD) to suspend suspected fraudulent businesses and assess fines.

"We worked with both

the attorney general's office and the Bureau of Narcotics, not to go after the medical marijuana industry, but to go after the bad actors who've been manipulating the process," Paxton said. "This bill tackles specific issues, like straw owners, so that OBNDD and prosecutors can address the problems we're having much quicker."

SB 475 defines "straw person or party" as a third party who is put up in name only to take part in a medical marijuana business transaction. It provides that if the OBNDD

director revokes a registration, the registrant of the land will be required to hold any controlled dangerous substances not impounded or preserved by the agency. None of the held substances can be purchased, distributed, sold, or transferred. If the revocation is finalized, all such controlled dangerous substances will be forfeited to the state or otherwise considered waste and submitted to a licensed waste disposal service.

The bill also authorizes the director to issue a

(See Straw on Page 2)

## Grants Available to Help With Tornado Damage

By Ken Childers  
Editor

The federal government is making grants available to assist local homeowners with repairs that were necessitated after last year's severe weather, which included a major tor-

nado on May 4.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Oklahoma State Director Kenneth Corn announced Thursday that the grants would be available only in counties that were declared disasters by President Joe

Biden, which includes Seminole County. Other counties covered under the declaration are Adair, Cherokee, Muskogee, Okmulgee, Pottawatomie and Tulsa.

"Oklahomans all too well know the destructive forces Mother Nature can bring to the Sooner State and unfor-

tunately the increasingly negative impacts of climate change have made each successive year harder for Oklahoma families to recover from these powerful storms," Corn said. "However, the Biden-Harris Administration has made it known they want to use

the power of our federal government for good and ensure our rural neighborhoods in Oklahoma are able to afford the repairs so our neighbors in Oklahoma can live in safe and secure homes."

The grants are being made available through

supplemental disaster funding under the Rural Disaster Home Repair Grant Program. Through this program, people may apply to receive grants of up to \$40,675 directly from the USDA Oklahoma State

(See Grants on Page 2)

## Seminole Nation Museum Awarded Okla. Heritage Preservation Grant

News Release

The Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) has announced that the Seminole Nation Museum has been awarded a grant through the Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program.

"The Seminole National Museum reflects the people of Seminole County and the people of Seminole," said Rep. Danny Williams, Seminole. "The Museum records the history of our area, which is extremely

valuable. I am thankful for the grant and the value to the Museum."

Seminole Nation Museum received \$18,567 for a project titled "Collections Acquisition," which will help fund a project that will acquire artifacts of material culture for exhibiting and research/study so that tribal members and others may better understand the Seminole people. Funds from this grant will be used to commission and display a full set of men's

period Seminole regalia (clothing) from the mid-19th century and purchase a beaded bandolier bag created by the late Damian Jay McGirt (Seminole/Muscogee). Together, these items will enhance the Museum's existing "Everlasting Fire" exhibit by exploring the traditional nature of the Seminole people through artifacts representing the Seminole's "Golden Age."

"The Seminole Nation Museum is grateful to

(See Museum on Page 2)



### Today In Seminole County

#### -BIRTHDAYS-

Today's birthdays include Trinity Allison, Harry Arnhart, Anthony Brewer, Billy Bruce, Franci Cupp, Jeani Cupp, Curtis Graham, Courtney Gregg, Georgetta Guess, Deborah Jefferson, Ricky Johnson, Mikko Jones, Frank Nowlin, Kara Peterson, Timmy Reich, Michelle Richard, Sheila Smith, David Taylor, Feather Walker & Joseph Wolf.

Saturday birthdays include Elsie Castor, Bobby Choate, Gene Choate Sr, Kwan Choate, Thumper Cortez, Faye Edwards, LaCrecha Elliott, Charlie Harjo, Billy Haynes, Wendy Haynes, Legus Jacoway, Shelton Johnson, Jaelee Lena, Oleta Ligon, B.K. Mitchell, David Rankin, Schahara Riffle, Phillip Stillwell, James Taylor, Jordan Taylor, & Irma Wilson.

#### -ANNIVERSARIES-

Today's anniversaries include John and Natalie Baker.

Saturday anniversaries include Bob and Cheryl Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Harjo & Kim and Steven Houck.

If you have an addition to our birthday/anniversary list, call (405) 382-1100 or send an email to news@seminoleproducer.com

#### -SLANTS-

Terri Robertson showing off her art... Gloria Wheeler being thankful...

### This Week In Seminole County

#### -MONDAY-FRIDAY-

➤ Heritage House Nutrition Center 210 College, Seminole. Now open for dine-in. (405) 382-2156

#### -FRIDAY-

➤ Seminole HS Speech/Debate Regionals

#### -SATURDAY-

➤ Seminole State College Baseball @ Northeastern Oklahoma AM College 1 p.m.

➤ Seminole HS Tennis (Boys-Girls) -- Western Heights Tournament @ OKC Tennis Center (all day event)

#### -WEDNESDAY-

➤ Free Tai Chi Class at the Reynolds Wellness Center 5 p.m.

#### -THURSDAY-

➤ Live music from the Garland Blocker Band at the Heritage House from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
➤ Free Fun and Fitness Class at New Life Church in Wewoka 4:45 p.m.

#### -LOOKING AHEAD-

➤ Made in Oklahoma Festival Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Seminole Downtown District

#### WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"Truth is strong, and sometime or other will prevail."

Mary Astell

# News

## Oklahoma Center For Nonprofits Announces First COO

OKLAHOMA CITY – The Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits (OKCNP) is excited to announce the hire of its first Chief Operating Officer (COO), Dr. Matthew Scrapper.

“Matthew brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the role,” said Marnie Taylor, President and CEO of The Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits. “His strategic vision, organizational skills, leadership acumen and ability to connect with our internal team and our members perfectly positions him to help lead our organization.”

Scrapper joins OKCNP after 19 years as an Ordained Minister with The United Methodist

Church. At OKCNP, he leads the operational and programmatic facets of our statewide, nonprofit membership association, with daily responsibility for all internal functions of the organization, including management and supervision of key leadership roles.

“By joining the team at the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits, I have the opportunity to work with phenomenal people who are passionate about helping nonprofits make our state a better place for everyone. That is something that I can get out of bed every morning and be excited about,” said Dr. Matthew Scrapper.

Scrapper holds a Bach-

elor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Business Information Technology from Rogers State University, as well as a Master’s of Divinity and a Doctorate of Ministry in Organizational Leadership from Asbury Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky. He is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation and 6th-generation Cherokee combat veteran of the United States Army. A graduate of the Army’s Infantry, Airborne, Air Assault, Ranger Indocination, Jungle Operations Training, and Sniper Schools, Matthew has participated in deployments to Panama and the former Yugoslavia in support of Operation Joint Forge.

Matthew’s volunteer service has focused on outreach to marginalized communities in Oklahoma and around the world. He and his wife, Kate, have three adult children - Robyn, Samantha, and Megan - and two tremendously spoiled dogs - Gus and Abby. In his free time, Matthew enjoys reading, running, cooking and traveling as often as possible.

About the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits  
The Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits is the state’s preeminent organization convening charitable entities from throughout the state for professional development, consulting, networking, advocacy and recognition.

Comprising nearly 1,000 nonprofit members from throughout Oklahoma, OKCNP’s primary mission is empowering nonprofits to achieve excellence in their missions. Since 1981, the organization

has assisted thousands of individuals and organizations through various programs designed to build capacity and positively impact the lives of Oklahomans. [www.OKCNP.org](http://www.OKCNP.org)

### ●Bust

(Continued from Page 1)

allegedly had a white residue located in the passenger seat where the female had been sitting. The passenger was placed in handcuffs by Officer Sharp.

After finishing his search of the vehicle, Officer Young walked to the front of the vehicle where the passenger had placed the fast-food bags near

the hood. Inside a drink holder the officer noticed a clear plastic bag containing what appeared to be a sizeable amount of a crystal-like substance, the affidavit states. Continuing the inspection, the officer allegedly removed from a food sack another 1-gallon freezer bag containing a large amount of crystalline substance.

The affidavit states the substance later had a preliminary weight of 147.3 grams and field tested presumptive for methamphetamine.

Supplemental information included in the case states that on May 6, 2021, in the District Court of Seminole County, Hand was convicted of County 1: trafficking in

illegal drugs and received a ten-year sentence.

Bond was set at \$300,000, according to the order of commitment document. An additional conditions document states that, upon release, Hand is to immediately report to Oklahoma Court Services, Inc.’s Seminole County Office for supervision.

### ●Grants

(Continued from Page 1)

Office to repair their homes. Funds will be available until fully utilized. They may be used to pay for home repair expenses, prepare a site for a manufactured home or to relocate a manufactured home.

To be eligible, applicants must have household incomes that do not exceed the low limits based on their household size and county. This information may be found online at [www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/RD-DirectLimitMap.pdf](http://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/RD-DirectLimitMap.pdf).

“The Oklahoma economy depends on the work rural Oklahomans do every day, but that isn’t possible without a strong foundation and pride in our rural homes,” Corn said. “I am so thankful to our President for not only his leadership but

more importantly delivering on his promises when Rural America raises its hand and asks for assistance.”

For more information on how to apply, contact 405-742-1061 or visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/ok>.

According to a press release, USDA expects to announce additional funding in the near future. This additional funding will assist eligible organizations help rural people repair and improve their homes. It will also help rural communities repair water infrastructure and essential community facilities.

Additional resources to support rural communities seeking disaster assistance are available at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/page/rural-development-disaster-assistance>.

### ●Straw

(Continued from Page 1)

written order to be served on the parties before annulling, conditioning, suspending, or revoking any registration that is believed to be operating inconsistent with current requirements. The written order must specifically state the nature of the violation or basis for the action. The period a registrant has to appear before the director disputing the registration annulment will be increased from 30 to 60 days. All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act and the rules and OBND regulations without regard to any criminal prosecution or other proceeding.

Finally, the director may issue an order immediately suspending a reg-

istration, without notice or a hearing, when there is cause to believe there is imminent danger to public health or safety. They are further authorized to levy a \$5,000 per day fine for any violation of federal or Oklahoma law relating to controlled dangerous substances, or rules implemented by the bureau. Upon a registration annulment, revocation, or denial, the director may prohibit the registrant or applicant from reapplying for registration for a period up to five years following the date of the final order.

SB 475 will next be considered in the House of Representatives. The House principal author is Rep. Jon Echols, R-Oklahoma City.

### ●Museum

(Continued from Page 1)

the Oklahoma Historical Society for continuing to invest in Oklahoma’s museum community through its Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program,” said Richard Ellwanger, executive director. “Funding will empower our museum to acquire artifacts that will relate the traditional nature of the Seminole people and how, after a century and a half of acculturation, they strongly and defiantly retain their Indigenous lifeways. Grant funds will also support the work of living Native artists and foster the creation of a new generation’s body of work.”

The OHS will distribute over \$575,000 in grant funds, with projects ranging from collections care and strategic planning to exhibit development and educational programming.

“These grant funds continue to empower local communities to collect, preserve and share their history for future generations of Oklahomans with over 150 projects funded to date,” said Nicole Harvey, director of strategic initiatives and grants administrator for the OHS.

The Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program is a grants-in-aid program offered by the Oklahoma Historical Society to encourage the collection, preservation and sharing of Oklahoma history at the grassroots level in all parts of the state. Open to tribal and municipal governments and not-for-profit historical organizations located in Oklahoma and registered with the Oklahoma secretary of state, this grants program offers funding ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000 for

projects focused on collections, exhibits and programming. Applications for this annual program open in the fall and award announcements are made in January. For more information visit [www.okhistory.org/grants](http://www.okhistory.org/grants).

The mission of the Oklahoma Historical Society is to collect, preserve and share the history and culture of the state of Oklahoma

and its people. Founded in 1893 by members of the Territorial Press Association, the OHS maintains museums, historic sites and affiliates across the state. Through its research archives, exhibits, educational programs and publications the OHS chronicles the rich history of Oklahoma. For more information about the OHS, please visit [okhistory.org](http://okhistory.org).

### Obituary

#### Kenneth Watters

Kenneth Ray Watters passed away Thursday, March 16th, 2023 at his home in Sasakwa, Oklahoma.

Kenneth was born June 17th, 1957 in Holdenville, Oklahoma to John Watters and Inetha Lois Watters. He married Debra Robertson Watters August 1, 1980 in Spaulding.

Kenneth is preceded in death by his parents, John and Inetha Watters, son, Billy John Brazell.

He is survived by his wife, Debra Watters, son Robie Dale and wife Teresa Watters of Sasakwa, three grandchildren, three great grandchildren, sisters, Vickie Watson of Sasakwa, Debbie Flanery of Konawa, Janet Merrell of Konawa, brothers, Keith Watters of Sasakwa, John Kevin Watters of Sasakwa and numer-



Watters

ous other relatives and friends.

Memorial service will be 2:00 p.m. Friday March 24, 2023 at The Assembly of God Church in Sasakwa.

Cremation arrangements by Stout-Phillips Funeral Home Wewoka, Oklahoma.

### Obituaries

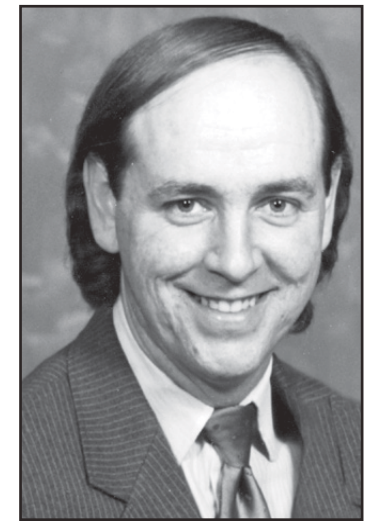
#### Quennion Sharver

Quennion David “Dave” Sharver, age 67 and a resident of Konawa, Oklahoma, left this world at Mercy Hospital in Ada, Oklahoma, on March 21, 2023, the day of the funeral of Virginia, his wife of forty-five years who preceded him in death by four days.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2023 at First Baptist Church of St. Louis, Oklahoma under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home of Konawa. Glenn Peck will officiate, and burial will follow at Vamoosa Cemetery. Visitation will be 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 26th at the funeral home.

Dave was born in Ada, Oklahoma, on September 24, 1955 to Quennion Fletcher Sharver and Rena Ruth Adams Sharver.

Those who are left to treasure their time and memories of David Sharver include his daughter and son, Jamie and LeAllen, his stepson and step-grandson,



Sharver

Billy Don and Dylan Sanderson, his four grandkids, four brothers-in-law, Milo Fox II, Bobby Sanderson, Larry Jesse, and Edmond Fox; three sisters-in-law, Katie Isaacs, Shirley Wagner, and Brenda Dailey; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends whom he dearly loved and cherished.

Preceding him in death are his parents and grandparents.

#### Delmer Stewart

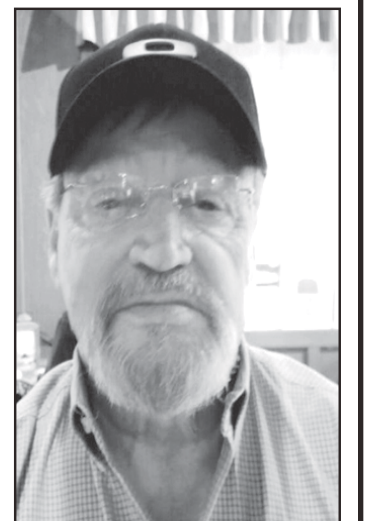
Delmer Ray Stewart, longtime Seminole resident, passed away on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 in Seminole at the age of 86. Delmer was born on February 12, 1937 in Shawnee, Oklahoma to Silas Stewart and Cleo (McNeil) Stewart. He married Debra Boulton on May 8, 1991 in Shawnee.

Delmer was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He spent most of his life in Shawnee. He was a great man and loved everyone. Delmer loved spending time with family.

Delmer is survived by his wife, Debra Stewart of the home; five sons, Jeff Stewart of Shawnee, Jay Stewart and wife, Glenda of Shawnee, Lariat Stewart of Seminole, Clint Tooley and wife, Ashley of Purcell and Clay Tooley and wife, Christie of Noble; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren and many other family and friends.

Delmer was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Don Stewart and son, Tim Stewart.

Those serving as casket bearers will be Clay Tooley, Clint Tooley, Lariat Stewart,



Stewart

Clinton Tooley, Ethan Tooley and Kevin Stewart.

Viewing will be Friday, March 24, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Swearingen Funeral Home in Seminole.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at Swearingen Funeral Home Chapel in Seminole, Oklahoma with Pastor Mark Guinn officiating. Burial will follow at Little Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home in Seminole, Oklahoma.

#### Vicki Wilson

Vicki Lynn Wilson, longtime Seminole resident, passed away on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, in Seminole at the age of 54. Vicki was born on April 8, 1968 in Ontario, CA to Carsten J. Alberts and Nettie (Lane) Alberts. She moved to Oklahoma at the age of 14.

Vicki enjoyed hiking around the lake, singing in the choir and bird watching. She worked at JC Penny’s in Shawnee for 6 years and Stage in Seminole for 4 years. She was a longtime member of Highway Baptist Church.

Vicki is survived by her mother, Nettie Alberts; son, Jered Wilson and wife, Jacqueline of Seminole; two grandchildren, Bryton G. Wilson and Lyla R. Wilson and many other family and friends.

Vicki was preceded in death by her father, Carsten J. Alberts and



Wilson

brother, John Alberts.

A celebration of Vicki’s life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at Highway Baptist Church with Pastor Carl Whitfield officiating.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home in Seminole, Oklahoma.

**The Seminole Producer**  
And the Seminole County News, Established 1907  
**405-382-1100**

H. Milt Phillips...1898-1979 • Ted Phillips...1932-2004 • Stu Phillips...1963-2018

**Mike Gifford** ..... **Publisher**  
**John Lewis** ..... **Production & Circulation Manager**  
**Ken Childers** ..... **Editor**  
**Bob Melton** ..... **County Editor**  
**Andrew Wilson** ..... **Advertising Representative**  
**Carllie Wood** ..... **Chief Paginator**  
**Taryn Morgan** ..... **Graphic Designer**  
**Kerri Rutherford** ..... **Office/Legals Manager**

# News

## Radio Show Host to Speak Saturday at Seminole County Republican Convention

Staff Report

Jake Merrick is slated to be the special guest speaker at the Seminole County Republican Convention this Saturday, March 25. The event will get underway at 9 a.m. at Gigi's Restaurant in downtown Seminole.

Merrick is the proud father of two girls (13 and 8), and has been married to Nicole for 12 years. He was born in Elk City and was raised in West Texas in the heart of ranch country. His sport in high school was rodeo: calf-roping, team roping, and bulldogging. Weekends were spent

at the rodeo, and it was there his ministry began with his family. They would often lead Cowboy Church with Jake offering a sermon and the family singing a few Southern Gospel songs.

Merrick's pursuit of ministry took him to Dallas Baptist University where he earned a BA in Biblical Studies, and then he received his Masters of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth.

Jake has always had a dual call to both preach the gospel and bring the gospel to the marketplace. As a result he has started up and

managed several businesses including the gym True Cross Training, Merrick Fence Company, Merrick Brothers Tool Sales, and a non profit called Paraklete, Inc.

Most recently, Jake was elected to serve in the Oklahoma State Senate representing District 22. He left office in November of 2022 and is now the host of the Jake Merrick Show on Freedom 96.9FM. Jake is also leading a grassroots effort called 100K Friends in an effort to "expose corruption and call people back to the foundations the founding fathers laid out clearly in the Constitution."



Merrick

## Wewoka Public School District Announces Participation in Summer Food Service Program

Wewoka Public Schools will be participating in the Summer Food Service Program.

Meals will be provided to all children (18 years of age and under) without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Meals will be provided at the dates and times as follows:

Wewoka Public Schools Cafeteria 300 W. 10th Street, Wewoka, OK 74884

Monday, May 15, 2023 thru Friday, June 2, 2023

(Closed on Memorial Day: Monday, May 29, 2023)

Breakfast Service: 8:00 am – 9:00 am

Lunch Service: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Site Supervisor: Charlene Herring

Contact Phone: 405-257-5475

Contact Email: cherring@wps.k12.ok.us

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require

alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-

9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)

## Oklahoma Healthcare Authority Board of Directors Vote to Approve Health Information Exchange Rules

Oklahoma City, OK – The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board of Directors voted to approve administrative rules to implement SB1369. The bill, passed by the state legislature in May 2022, requires all providers to utilize and establish a connection with a statewide health information exchange by July 1, 2023.

The HIE provides the capability to electronically collect, store and share clinical information among different health-care information systems while maintaining privacy and security. The system also facilitates appropriate and secure access to and retrieval of clinical

data to provide safe, timely, effective, equitable and patient-centered care. The HIE also allows multiple public health authorities to analyze broad, de-identified population health data to determine the effectiveness of treatments and gaps in care.

"With the HIE, we can vastly improve public health, care coordination, records exchange, and address care fragmentation for providers," said Stephen Miller, CHCIO, State Coordinator for Health Information Exchange. "Utilizing our partnership with MiHealth, the State Designed Entity for HIE operations, we are on the road to making this vision a reality."

Seventy percent of Oklahomans have a record in more than one health care delivery system. The HIE allows health information to flow seamlessly to and from authorized organizations while adhering to HIPAA and privacy and security standards.

Additionally, the HIE

supports:

Reduced health care costs associated with redundant testing, hospital readmissions and emergency department visits.

Improving care coordination during transitions between health care settings, reducing adverse drug events and missed preventive care.

Improved patient experience and performance on quality measures.

Compliance with state and federal programs.

"Oklahoma is on a health transformation journey and OHCA had made a commitment to making sure we are doing everything we can to provide better health outcomes for our friends and neighbors," said Kevin Corbett, Secretary of Health and Mental Health and Oklahoma Health Care Authority CEO. "With the HIE, Oklahoma providers can better monitor and focus on whole-person health care for their patients."

All patient data is only accessible in secure, approved ways, compliant with HIPAA and privacy security standards. The HIE is set up to monitor access to all health care information it receives to ensure patient privacy. Misuse of the system is a crime and is subject to all penalties associated with a HIPAA violation.

Only high-priority health information will be included in the HIE, as required by Federal regulations.

Psychotherapy notes are excluded from the transmission to the HIE as well as any behavioral health data covered by 42 CFR part 2. Providers may exclude any patient data that is legally obligated to be kept confidential.

**SPARKS LENNOX**  
HEAT & AIR, INC.  
"SINCE 1981"  
"We Sell Ice Making Equipment and Machines!"  
JIM SPARKS - OWNER • SALES & SERVICE  
RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL  
SERVICE ON ALL MAKES OF CENTRAL UNITS  
(405) 273-1521  
www.SparksHeatandAir.com  
128 Summit Dr. Shawnee  
Oklahoma State Licence# 2492  
FINANCING AVAILABLE  
VISA MasterCard

**HOG'S BARBEQUE**  
Wed. & Thurs. 11am-8pm  
Fri. & Sat. 11am-9pm  
1715 N. Milt Phillips Avenue  
Seminole, OK  
(405) 382-7427

## TENT REVIVAL

MARCH 27 - APRIL 1

You may have heard about them. You may have even seen one. But now is your opportunity to experience an old fashioned TENT REVIVAL. The tent revival is located in the lot adjacent to Braum's in Seminole, OK. Services will begin each night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome under the gospel tent!

**Meet our Guest Speakers:**  
Evangelist Hagen Adams  
Dan Charland  
The Wolfram Family

**ADMISSION PRICES:**  
ADULTS - \$7.00  
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER - \$6.00  
CHILDREN 3 & UNDER - FREE  
SENIORS OVER 65 - \$6.00  
MATINEES BEFORE 6 PM:  
ADULTS - \$6.00  
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER - \$5.00

ALL 3D SHOWS - \$2.50 ADDITIONAL CHARGE  
SHOW-TIMES VARY PER DAY AND MOVIE  
ALL SHOWS ON MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS ARE OPEN CAPTIONED

JOHN WICK CHAPTER 4  
SHAZAM! FURY OF THE GODS

**Strothers Cinema**  
1110 E. Strother  
Seminole, OK  
405-382-7254  
www.seminolemovies.com

**Dean's PAWNEE SHOP**  
PAWN • BUY • SELL • TRADE  
**NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN GOODS**  
WWW.DEANSPAWN.COM  
2617 S. ROBINSON AVE  
OKC, OK 73109  
(405) 239-2774

## D's Metal Recycling

Aluminum • Copper  
• Brass • Stainless • Converters  
Monday thru Friday 8:30 - 4:30  
Saturday 8:30 - Noon  
721 Boren Blvd.  
405-303-2662  
**We Pay Cash**

Sale Every Monday at 11:00AM  
We do Appreciate Your Business!

## Holdenville LIVESTOCK MARKET

Phone (405) 379-7211 • Fax (405) 379-7218  
Mike Cantrell (405) 567-4767 or (405) 323-6401

## SULLIVAN DOLLAR

"The Department Store of Insurance"

AUTO • LIFE • PROPERTY • BUSINESS  
HEALTH • SPECIALTY

716 N. Milt Phillips, Seminole, OK  
405-382-1680  
Trusted Choice

# 50 Years Ago

From The Files of The Seminole Producer

Plans to construct a new shopping center in Seminole are progressing and we hope to being construction around September, said Donald R. Broadland, president of Tulsa Mortgage Company, a developer of the center.

Announcement of the shopping center was first made last December. Since that time the Tulsa firm had been completing plans and negotiating with tenants. Broadland said the shopping center would contain approximately 12 firms and would be similar to the Tandy Town shopping center at McAlester.

The firm has an option and is paying on that option for property on the west side of Milt Phillips Avenue – across Magnolia Creek and just south of Pizza Place restaurant.

“We are about as definite as we can be that the shopping center is going in at Seminole,” Broad-

land told The Producer, “but still we cannot make an announcement about the businesses that will be located in the center until all negotiations are completed.”

With construction starting around September 1, we have set a target date of Easter, 1974 for the opening of the shopping center complex,” Broadland said.

Tulsa Mortgage Company has developed shopping centers in Tulsa and in other states as well as the one in McAlester.

In December, Broadland cited the growth of the community junior college and industrial growth as the reason his firm was attracted to Seminole.

-oOo-

Pottawatomie County Sheriff Billy Phillips is in favor of Maud ranchers and farmers helping his department watch for cattle thieves, but he said

they could not be authorized to carry loaded guns on the highways and away from their own personal property.

Sheriff Phillips statements followed a story in The Producer Tuesday which reported that several Maud ranchers were thinking about forming a posse to catch cattle thieves, who have plagued the Maud area in recent months.

“I’m in favor and think that it’s a good thing that neighbors watch after each other’s stock,” Sheriff Phillips told a newsman. “I just don’t want this thing to get out of hand with armed people running up and down the road. Transporting weapons on state roadways is against the law.

“I think most of these ranchers and farmers are levelheaded. The thing I want them to understand is that they can’t use any deadly force to detain someone they catch.”

The sheriff added, “If these ranchers do catch someone on their property they should detain them and call our department.”

The Producer talked with sources in Maud today and reports indicated that it’s almost certain that a posse of area ranchers, possibly totaling 100, will be formed in the near future.

Apparently some ranchers are already patrolling their property and their neighbors in groups at night.

Along with cattle stealing report in recent months, there have been reports of hay stealing, thefts of batteries and other automobile accessories from ranchers in the Maud area.

Curtis O’Daniel, a Maud real estate dealer and rancher, talked to Sheriff Phillips on behalf of the Maud Tuesday. The ranchers, totaling some 38 people, had met at the Maud civic

center Monday night and discussed the posse idea.

“We ranchers plan to meet with the Pottawatomie County Cattlemen’s Association and try to get organized. We’re thinking pretty strongly about the posse idea,” O’Daniel said.

The posse, according to sources, will be a large number of Maud ranchers divided into groups with certain sections of land to cover at night. Probably three shifts will work during the night.

“We didn’t take a vote or decide definitely on anything at the public meeting Monday,” said O’Daniel. “We’ll probably decide everything at the next cattlemen’s association meeting”

Sheriff Phillips told The Producer that he had only received reports of four calves stolen recently in the Maud area. Seminole County Sheriff Bill Merryfield said that he had not had reports of

any cattle stolen on the Seminole County side of Maud.

“A lot of the ranchers are not reporting these thefts, O’Daniel said. “There is a lot of stuff that gets stolen around here, but never reported. We want to catch someone doing these things and when we do we will file charges against them.”

-oOo-

Slants – Alma Franklin’s son, Bob, modeling as a business executive in a Blue Cross insurance advertisement in the national publication, “Time” ... Bob Jones’ face turning as red as his Chamber jacket because of a dog squealing during dedication ceremonies... Phillip Parks getting HIS picture made... W. Ray Davis talking about being quoted... Lloyd Brown wondering if his name will be in slants... Senator Henry Bellmon wanting to play a round of golf on the Seminole links.

## Public Notices

(Published in the March 17 and 24, 2023 edition of The Seminole Producer)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff,

vs.

TYA WAYBRIGHT, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER WAYNE

WAYBRIGHT; et al. Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2022-31

Judge: Olsen, Timothy L.

NOTICE OF ALIAS SALE OF LAND UNDER EXECUTION

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of April, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock,

A.M., (location at Courthouse or Room #), Front Door, of the Seminole County Courthouse in Wewoka, Oklahoma, the undersigned Sheriff will offer for alias sale and sell for cash to the highest and best bidder, subject to real estate ad valorem taxes, superior special assessments and all interests of record, if any, except the Mortgage and interests foreclosed herein on the following described real property, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Eleven (11) North,

Range Five (5) East of the Indian Meridian, Seminole County, Oklahoma, commonly known as 35105 EW 1130 Road, Earlsboro, OK 74840 (the “Property”)

Alias sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Alias Sale issued out of the office of the Court Clerk in and for Seminole County, Oklahoma, and pursuant to said judgement reserving the right of Plaintiff to recall said execution by oral announcement and/or order of the Court, prior to the alias sale, said judgement entered in the District Court in and for said County, State of Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ 2022-31, entitled U.S. Bank National Association, Plaintiff, vs. Christopher Wayne Waybright, Tya Waybright, et al., Defendants, to satisfy:

FIRST: The costs of said action accrued and accruing;

SECOND: The judgement and first lien of the Plaintiff, U.S. Bank National Association, in the sum of \$175,054.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 5.125% per annum, as adjusted, if applicable, from March 1, 2020, until paid; advances for taxes, insurance and preservation expenses, accrued and accruing; abstracting expenses, accrued and accruing; bankruptcy fees and costs, if any; and an attorney’s fee, plus costs, with interest thereon at the same rate, until paid.

Persons or other entities having interest in the property, including those whose actual addresses are unknown and persons or other entities who have or may have unknown successors and such unknown successors are hereby notified are: Tya Waybright, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Christopher Wayne Waybright; Occupants of the Premises; Aqua Finance, Inc..

The property has been duly appraised in the sum of \$230,000.00.

WITNESS MY HAND this 13 day of March, 2023.

By: /s/ Susan Buck Deputy

KIVELL, RAYMENT AND FRANCIS A Professional Corporation

K. Renee’ Davis, OBA #15161 Triad Center I, Suite 550 7666 East 61<sup>st</sup> Street Tulsa, Oklahoma 74133 Telephone (918) 254-0626 Facsimile (918) 254-7915 E-mail: rdavis@kivell.com

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

### PUBLIC NOTICE Your Right To Know

(Published in the March 24 and 31, 2023 edition of The Seminole Producer)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff,

v.

RICHARD L. GUNTER, SR. A/K/A RICHARD GUNTER A/K/A RICHARD L. GUNTER A/K/A RICHARD GUNTER SR., DECEASED; DONNA S. GUNTER, A/K/A DONNA GUNTER, DECEASED;

SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF DONNA S. GUNTER; RHONDA KANARD, DECEASED; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF RHONDA KANARD; RICHARD L. GUNTER, JR. A/K/A RICHARD GUNTER A/K/A RICHARD L. GUNTER; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF RICHARD L. GUNTER, JR.; JOHN DOE, OCCUPANT; STATE OF OKLAHOMA EX REL OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA EX REL INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF RHONDA KANARD, Defendant(s).

Case No. CJ-2022-37

Judge: Timothy L. Olsen

FIRST ALIAS NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to Richard L. Gunter, Sr., Deceased; Donna S. Gunter, Deceased; Spouse, if any, of Donna S. Gunter; Rhonda Kanard, Deceased; Spouse, if any, of Rhonda Kanard; Richard L. Gunter, Jr.; Spouse, if any, of Richard L. Gunter, Jr.; John Doe, Occupant; State of Oklahoma ex rel Oklahoma Tax Commission; United States of America ex rel Internal Revenue Service; Unknown Heirs, Successors and Assigns of Rhonda Kanard, and their unknown successors and assigns, that on, **05/3/2023, at 10:00 a.m.**, Front Door at the County Courthouse in Wewoka, Seminole County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of said County will offer for sale and sell for cash at public auction to the highest and best bidder, with appraisal, all that certain real estate in Seminole County, Oklahoma, to-wit: THE NORTH TWENTY FEET (N20’) OF LOT FOURTEEN (14) AND LOT FIFTEEN (15) OF BLOCK SEVEN (7), TO CLARLAND TERRACE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, OKLAHOMA, SEMINOLE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1012 McKinley Street Seminole, OK 74868

subject to taxes and tax sales, said property being duly appraised at \$74,100.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to an Order of Sale issued upon a judgment entered in the District Court of Seminole County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2022-37, wherein NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing is Plaintiff and Richard L. Gunter, Sr. and Donna S. Gunter is/are Defendant(s) to satisfy said judgment in the sum of \$18,466.94 together with interest at 3.5% per annum from October 1, 2020, including late charges, a reasonable attorney’s fee, and all necessary funds advanced by said Plaintiff accrued or accruing hereafter through completion of this action.

The addresses of the Defendant(s), Spouse, if any, of Donna S. Gunter and Spouse, if any, of Rhonda Kanard and Richard L. Gunter, Jr. and Unknown Heirs, Successors and Assigns of Rhonda Kanard, and her/his/their unknown successors are unknown to the Plaintiff.

WITNESS MY HAND this 21 day of March, 2023.

BY: Sheriff

BY: /s/ Susan Buck Undersheriff/Deputy

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP 770 NE 63<sup>rd</sup> St. Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431 (405) 848-1819

Attorneys for Plaintiff File No. 22-138369

### PUBLIC NOTICE Your Right To Know

(Published in the March 24, 26, 28, 29, 30, 2023 edition of The Seminole Producer)

CITY OF KONAWA BID NOTICE

The City of Konawa is currently taking bids for Mowing of the Cemetery. Mowers are required to be insured. Bids will be opened at the next Konawa City Council Meeting on April 13, 2023. Information may be sent to or obtained at Konawa City Hall, 122 North Broadway, Konawa, OK 74849.

April Hunt City/Court Clerk City of Konawa

### PUBLIC NOTICE Your Right To Know

(Published in the March 17 and 24, 2023 edition of The Seminole Producer)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT WITHIN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Billie Dean Craig, s/p/a Billie Dean Self, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-3

Judge: Brett W. Butner

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF OKLAHOMA ss. COUNTY OF SEMINOLE

All persons having claims against Billie Dean Craig, s/p/a Billie Dean Self, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claims, to the named Personal Representative at:

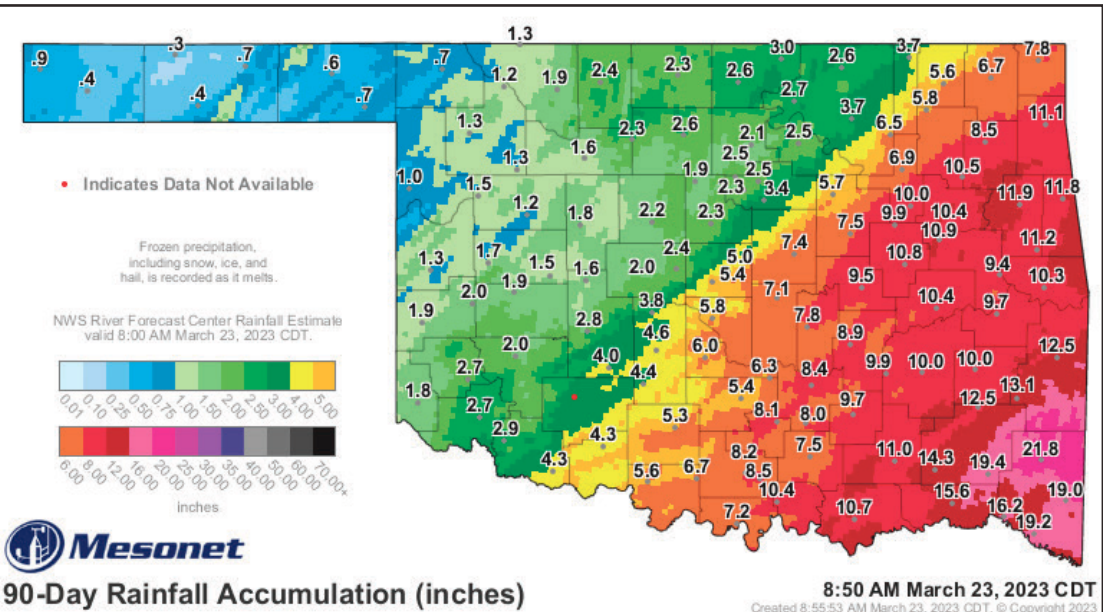
c/o Jack Cadenhead The Cadenhead Law Firm, P.C. 225 East Evans Avenue P.O. Box 2067 Seminole, OK 74818-2067

on or before the following presentation date: May 19, 2023, or the same will be non-suited, void and forever barred.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

/s/ Shelly Cascavilla Shelly Cascavilla, Personal Representative

Prepared by: Jack Cadenhead, OBA #30030 The Cadenhead Law Firm, P.C. P.O. Box 2067 Seminole, OK 74818-2067 Telephone: (405) 382-6341 Facsimile: (405) 382-5513 Attorney for Personal Representative



## Seminole Weather Forecast

<b>Friday</b> Rain Showers Likely High 62	<b>Friday Night</b> Partly Cloudy Low 41
<b>Saturday</b> Partly Sunny High 62	<b>Saturday Night</b> Mostly Clear Low 42
<b>Sunday</b> Partly Sunny High 65	<b>Sunday Night</b> Partly Cloudy Low 40
<b>Monday</b> Partly Sunny High 62	

Mon - Fri: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
(405) 382-3451  
2505 W. Wrangler Blvd. Seminole  
**Williamson Insurance Agency**  
pragueokinsurance.com

# Sports

## OU Spring Football Game April 22

**NORMAN** — The University of Oklahoma Athletics Department has announced that tickets to OU's April 22 spring football game and season tickets for the 2023 football season are now on sale at SoonerSports.com.

OU also announced additional details surrounding the spring game, including an 11:30 a.m. Kyler Murray Heisman Trophy statue unveiling that will be free and open to the public at Heisman Park immediately west of Gaylord Family — Oklahoma Memorial Stadium (Murray will also be honored on the field at halftime). The game will kick off at 2:30 p.m. CT.

**SPRING GAME TICKET INFORMATION**  
All tickets for OU's 2023 spring game will be for a specific reserved section, row and seat.

Season ticket holders and Sooner Club members must log in to their online account to order.

MidFirst Bank East Stadium Club, Valero South Champions Club and

Santee Lounge season ticket holders will have access to purchase reserved tickets within their respective club(s). Suite and loge box holders will be able to reserve their complimentary suite and loge box tickets via a separate RSVP that has been communicated by email.

Online orders are subject to a nominal convenience fee at the time of purchase, and additional fees may apply. For further information, please call the OU Athletics Ticket Office at (405) 325-2424 or email outickets@ou.edu.

**ADDITIONAL SPRING GAME INFORMATION**  
Kyler Murray Pregame Statue Unveil

Kyler Murray will be on hand for his public Heisman Trophy statue unveiling during a ceremony at 11:30 a.m. at Heisman Park on the east side of Gaylord Family — Oklahoma Memorial Stadium. Following the ceremony, Party Pics will take photos of fans next to Murray's statue until 2 p.m.

Fans attending the spring game will also want to stay in their seat at halftime, as Murray will be honored on the field for his OU accomplishments and for claiming his permanent spot at Heisman Park.

**Parking**  
The Duck Pond, East Suite Reserved, Field House, Heisman, and Monnet parking lots, as well as the Asp Avenue Parking Facility, will be reserved for the spring game. All other parking lots/facilities will be free to the public and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Party at the Palace**  
OU will hold its "Party at the Palace presented by Allstate" pregame fan festival on the lawn immediately north of the stadium starting at 11 a.m. on the day of the spring game. Many of the usual Party at the Palace elements will be featured, including a variety of food trucks, interactive games and music.

Reserved Tailgating  
Reserved tailgate pack-

ages for the spring game and 2023 Oklahoma football season are available through RevelXP. Click here for more information, or call (405) 655-3437.

Varsity O Sooners For Life Spring Weekend

This weekend also celebrates Varsity O's Sooners For Life Spring Weekend, dedicated to connecting and celebrating former OU student-athletes. This year's programming will include a golf tournament, an evening reception and the Varsity O Tailgate, in addition to attending the spring game. Communication was sent via email to former OU student-athletes from the Varsity O Association letterwinner organization.

OU letterwinners are encouraged to visit www.TheVarsityO.com/contact to ensure Varsity O has updated contact information. Former OU student-athletes who have questions are encouraged to contact Varsity O at 405-325-4709 or varsityo@ou.edu.

## NASCAR: Road Course Racing Continues to Flourish

By Holly Cain

In many ways the addition of road course experts such as Formula One champions Jenson Button and Kimi Räikkönen and a sports car champ like Jordan Taylor to Sunday's NASCAR grid seems appropriate as the NASCAR Cup Series continues its 75th Anniversary season at one of the country's premier road course facilities, Circuit of The Americas (COTA).

While ovals certainly dominated the sport's earliest schedules, stock car racing has become a big-time player on some of the most historic and important road course facilities in America. And what the 11-year-old COTA track may lack in pure historical age, it certainly makes up for in modern-day acclaim.

That's why so many renowned drivers from other series — such as Button, Räikkönen, Taylor and IndyCar regular Conor Daly — are eager to earn a position on the starting grid and test themselves against NASCAR's very best in Sunday's EchoPark Automotive Grand Prix (3:30 p.m. ET, FOX, PRN, SiriusXM NASCAR Radio). And the NASCAR Cup Series drivers — which will include seven-time champion Jimmie Johnson this

week too — are ready for the challenge.

The second NASCAR-sanctioned race of the inaugural 1949 season was run on a road course — a 4.150-mile circuit right on Daytona Beach.

For much of its early existence, however, NASCAR was purposely and predominantly an oval show. But the Modern Era — beginning in 1972 — brought changes to the season schedule that included not only a long-established race at California's Riverside International Raceway but eventually new venues at Northern California's, Sonoma Raceway and the historic Watkins Glen International in upstate New York. Today there are six road or street course venues on the schedule.

The famed Riverside track in California — a 2.62-mile track that produced some of the most memorable races in the sport's history; hosted the NASCAR Cup Series from 1958 to 1988 before closing down in 1989.

The list of Riverside winners is a racing 'Who's Who' from the late Dan Gurney, who won five races — including three in a row from 1964-66 — to Parnelli Jones, the 1967 winner and A.J. Foyt, who took the 1970 trophy. NASCAR's "King"

Richard Petty and fellow NASCAR Hall of Famers Bobby Allison and Darrell Waltrip, each won five times at Riverside and the late Tim Richmond owned four trophies.


California's Sonoma Raceway picked up where Riverside left off, hosting its first NASCAR Cup Series race in 1989 with Ricky Rudd hoisting the first trophy. This summer marks the 33rd edition of the Sonoma race — a venue where native Californian, NASCAR Hall of Famer Jeff Gordon holds the win record of five and Trackhouse Racing driver Daniel Suarez earned his first ever NASCAR Cup Series victory last summer.

After races in 1957, '64 and '65, Watkins Glen started hosting NASCAR Cup Series races regularly in 1988 — that event won by the late Tim Richmond. NASCAR Hall of Famer, Tony Stewart would go on to establish the all-time Watkins Glen wins record with five trophies. Kyle Larson, the 2021 NASCAR Cup Series champion, is the two-time defending race winner.

These original races proved that NASCAR competitors and their audience loved the unique challenge of road course races scattered into the schedule. And in recent years, NASCAR has rewarded that fondness by increasing the number available. This weekend's grand prix at COTA is the first of six on the 2023 schedule that will also include the highly-anticipated July 2 debut of a downtown street course along the downtown Chicago waterfront.

Each of these 2023 venues — Circuit of The Americas, Sonoma Raceway (June 11), Chicago Street Course (July 2), Indianapolis Motor Speedway Road Course (Aug. 13), Watkins Glen International (Aug. 20), Charlotte Motor Speedway ROVAL (Aug. 8) — has produced memorable moments, dramatic finishes and won over even the most hardened of oval-traditionalists.

And the drivers on the grid represent both non-regulars who have taken a real interest in NASCAR road course competition, where the entire grid of fulltime drivers showcases their road racing talent and focus; racing door-to-door, bumper-to-bumper through every turn and twist.




## Robinson

EYE INSTITUTE, PLLC

*Welcomes  
our new  
Optometrist*

**Dr. Clay  
McLaughlin,  
O.D.**



*Be sure to visit our Optical Galleria.  
We have the largest frame selection in Shawnee*

For more information, visit our website at  
**www.RobinsonEye.com**  
or Facebook: [www.facebook.com/robinsoneye](https://www.facebook.com/robinsoneye)  
501 East MacArthur • Shawnee, OK | 405-275-7400

#1 QUALITY INSTALLATION & SERVICE

# AIR FORCE 1

## A/C & HEATING



COMMERCIAL  
AND  
RESIDENTIAL

**bryant**  
Heating & Cooling Systems

Factory  
Authorized  
Dealer


Sales • Service  
Installation

We Service All Brands

OIC License #90974 & #36789

# 405-214-5550

## MANUFACTURED/ MOBILE HOME SAFETY



### STEP 01

Every Day

- ✓ **Identify a Safe Place:** Have a family plan that includes ideas for shelter spaces emergency locations, and accommodations for pets. If there are current plans, review them.
- ✓ **Know Evacuation Routes:** Have routes planned out for evacuating your home in the event of severe weather. Keep up to date on potential road closures in your community.
- ✓ **Timing:** Know how long it will take you to evacuate your home during severe weather.
- ✓ **Be Weather-Ready:** Check the forecast frequently to see if you are at a risk of severe weather. Listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay informed about tornado watches and warnings.
- ✓ **Sign Up for Notifications:** Know how to get watches and warnings in your community. Check media alerts in your area.

### STEP 02


Day Before Severe Weather

- ✓ **Verify Your Shelter:** Check with your community's Emergency Management on if shelters will be open in your area. Ask questions and consider the needs of pets.
- ✓ **Coordinate with Family/Friends:** Share your plans with family and friends, and discuss spending time at their home if it is safer.
- ✓ **Help Your Neighbor:** Encourage those around you to prepare for the possibility of severe weather. Check on them and offer to help them get to a safe place.
- ✓ **Stay Weather-Ready:** Continue to listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay updated about future watches and warnings.
- ✓ **Transportation:** Make sure all cars are filled up with enough gas to get you to a sturdier shelter. If you do not have a car, contact friends or family to prepare transportation.


### STEP 03

Day of Severe Weather

- ✓ **Execute Your Plan:** If a tornado watch is issued in your community and storms are headed toward your area, it is time to evacuate your home to a sturdier shelter. Take important documents with you. Don't forget your pets.
- ✓ **Stay Informed:** Keep listening to local news or NOAA Weather Radio for more updates about tornado watches and warnings impacting your area.
- ✓ **Contact Your Family and Loved Ones:** Let your family and close friends know where you are evacuating to. Ask if family and close friends in vulnerable housing need to relocate as well.
- ✓ **Last Resort:** If a Tornado Warning is issued for your community before you evacuate, it may already be too dangerous to evacuate to a safer location. Last resort options include a vehicle (seatbelt on and start car to activate airbags/safety features) or in a protected area outside shielded from potential debris or flooding.




You can replace your possessions...  
...but you cannot replace a life.



National Weather Service

weather.gov/safety/tornado

Candy Lozier



Gets you back where you belong.  
Auto • Home • Life • IRAs\*

405-382-5183  
Monday-Friday, 9-5 or by appointment.  
111 West Broadway • Seminole, OK

\*Securities offered through Farmers Financial Solutions, LLC, Member FINRA & SIPC




## CANTRELL AG

Quality Custom Commodity Feed  
Fertilizer

MIKE CANTRELL • (405) 323-6401  
Office: 405-567-0047 | Prague, OK

## Mike Kiesel

AIR CONDITIONING AND HEATING COMPANY

STILL IN BUSINESS! NEW LOCATION - 12206 NS 35800, SEMINOLE

Need your heating or air conditioning repaired? Call Mike Kiesel!  
We Service All Brands | LICENSE #OK001794

# 405-382-5690



# FARM & GARDEN

## Fixing Muddy Pond Waters

By Keith Thomas

You know what they say, location is everything. That is so true when it comes to building a pond. Besides making sure that the pond will collect and hold water, there are some other important items you need to consider to create a successful fishing pond. Addressing these issues up front will prevent headaches in the future. I highly recommend contacting your county NRCS office to perform a soil test to determine how much sand, loam and clay occurs in your pond bottom.

What is a muddy pond? Many ponds in Oklahoma will turn various shades of red, brown, or gray after a good rain. The big question is, does the pond clear up after a couple days or does it stay muddy for weeks, months or indefinitely? Likewise, with our numerous strong windy days, does your pond turn dingy?

A body of water is deemed turbid when small particles of organic



Photo Credit: Kyle Johnson

matter are released into the water column by various processes and remain suspended, therefore staining the water. Materials such as leaf litter, grass particles, fish waste and other animal debris stay suspended temporarily but usually settle out. Minute soil particles such as clay can stay suspended for weeks to months. Depending on your local conditions, you could be in trouble. Some ponds will never clear up without intervention.

Why do you need a clear pond? Aquatic organisms living in a pond rely on sunlight to penetrate the water column in order to feed and grow. Microscopic plants and animals, or plankton, support larger organisms like aquatic insects and small fish which feed larger fish and so on all the way up the food chain. Sunlight generates this process which is called photosynthesis. A dingy, murky pond makes it very hard for any aquatic critters to thrive. A pond with a greenish tint shows that the sunlight is growing plankton and this type of pond is relatively healthy.

Agricultural activities such as grazing, tilling, planting, and harvesting near a water body disturbs the soil making it easy to wash in. A good buffer zone surrounding the pond will help keep adjacent soils from becoming disturbed and muddying up your pond. Allowing grasses or shrubs to grow next to the pond will help slow down runoff. You can also leave a strip or two of your crops to help catch loose soils from washing into the pond. Diverting cattle to another non-fishing pond helps as well.

Constructing the proper slope to the pond's shoreline helps eliminate the mixing of the pond's substrate. A shallow pond is just asking for trouble. Dig out at least a 3:1 slope, that's 3 feet out for every 1 foot deep. Maintain

an average depth of at least 4 feet for the whole pond. If left shallow, hot water in the summertime causes excessive algae growth and easy mixing of the pond bottom.

A simple yet effective test is available to determine if your pond will settle out on its own or if it needs chemical treatment to remove turbidity. It is called the jar test. Taking a quart sized jar, collect a full scoop of your pond water, screw the lid on and set aside so it's not disturbed. Check it daily for a week or so to see if the clay particles sink to the bottom of the jar. If the jar clears up, you can follow the corrective measures below to help clean up your pond. If not, see treatment options #1 and #2 below.

**Corrective Measures**  
Remove fish species that disturb the substrate such as common carp and bullhead catfish.

Install hay bales or barley straw rolls along windward shoreline to catch wave action.

Construct terraces around the pond to slow or catch sediment running off the watershed.

Plant rye and fescue grass in bare areas to

absorb runoff.

Install rock jetties, tree falls and gravel berms to act as wind and wave breaks.

During low water periods, use a track-hoe or bulldozer to deepen shallow spots.

Plant aquatic vegetation species along the shoreline to slow erosion. Smartweed, arrowhead, bull tongue and pickerel weed are a few to try.

**Treatment Option #1**  
Apply gypsum (calcium sulfate) at 80 - 960 lbs. per acre ft (surface acreage ÷ the average pond depth).

Best done during the fall and winter.

Best applied with a trash pump and boat as a slurry. You can also mix it in the prop wash of an outboard motor.

**Treatment Option #2**  
If gypsum does not work, try applying aluminum sulfate at 13 - 52 lbs. per ac ft.

Best applied with a trash pump and boat as a slurry.

Be careful not to overdo with aluminum. If your pond water has low alkalinity (< 50 ppm), it can lower the pH of the water and harm aquatic life.



### CAJUN COUNTRY TRACTORS

Owner:

Larry T. LeRay

Phone: 405-382-1111

Fax: 405-382-1110

cajuntractor@att.net

SaMASZ LS TRACTOR



Jonsered



ECHO

35581 EW 1255 Seminole, OK 74868

Find us on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/cajuncountrytractor](http://www.facebook.com/cajuncountrytractor)



## YOUR PARTNER FOR AG LENDING NEEDS

Real Estate | Livestock | Equipment | Operating

BancFirst  
Loyal

To Oklahoma & You:

SEMINOLE

Second & Broadway | 405-350-1300

1500 N. Milt Phillips | 405-380-1350



BANCFIRST.BANK

MEMBER FDIC



Proud to Serve  
Our Family Farms

Pet & Livestock Feed

Farm & Ranch Supplies

Vaccine & Flea Control

Enclosures & Fencing

Tack & Equipment Sales.

Open:

M-F 8am-6pm

Sat 8am-1pm

Closed Sunday



Or Visit:

ShawneeFeed.com



SHAWNEE  
FEED

405-214-FEED or 405-214-3333

Located at the corner of Hwy 177 & Hardesty Road

### J & N Small Engine Repair

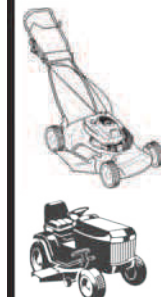
We carry a full line of

Echo Trimmers

Mention this ad for 10% Off on all lawn mower & small engine spring tune-ups!

We Repair All Brands of Mowers & Regular Mowers

1905 Boren Boulevard, Seminole, OK 74868  
(405)382-2792



Chainsaw Sharpening • Small Engine Repair  
Mower Blades & Belts

\*Oregon Power Equipment Dealer \*Generac Dealer \* Husqvarna Dealer  
\* DR Equipment Dealer \* Briggs & Stratton Certified Dealer

S & S  
FARM CENTER

YOUR FULL  
SERVICE  
FARM CENTER

7:30 am - 5:30 pm Mon-Fri • 7:30 am - 12:00 noon Sat  
We Deliver Your Purchases To Your Vehicle • Major Credit Cards Accepted

302 S. Beard • Shawnee, OK • 273-6907  
NEAR HISTORIC DOWNTOWN SHAWNEE



# Beef Specialists Warn of Bloat on Wheat Pasture

By Gail Ellis

Varying degrees of drought across the state have caused cool-season grasses to grow a little later than usual this year, and Oklahoma State University Extension specialists have received reports of bloat in calves grazing wheat and other small grain pastures.

Growing conditions improved for these pastures, which have been grazed short this winter with regrowth that is all highly digestible leaf.

"We have also had some late winter frost events that can damage the cell walls in the new growth, releasing the cell contents for rapid availability in the rumen," said Paul Beck, OSU Extension beef cattle nutrition specialist. "These plant fractions are the most bloat provocative and can very quickly cause bloat in grazing calves."

Death can occur rapidly from bloat, but so can relief. Calves can return to normal soon after supplements containing Bloatguard (Poloxalene 6.6%). Bloatguard

is commercially available in blocks, mineral supplements and topdresses for concentrate supplements.

Don't wait until the bloat outbreak occurs. Have some type of block, supplement or mineral on hand that contains Bloatguard. Not all feed stores carry this item. Ranchers may have to travel to another town to find it.

Feed calves a few days a week throughout the winter to keep them coming up to troughs so they can be easily gathered if bloat occurs.

Mineral or supplements providing ionophore monensin decrease the incidence and severity of bloat. This will make it more manageable to identify bloat outbreaks before they cause death losses and allow time to take corrective measures.

OSU Extension also offers the following guidelines in herd management this time of year.

Replacement heifers and spring breeding

Should be 14 to 15 months of age

Roughly at 2/3 of their mature weight

Over 90% of heifers at this age and weight will be fertile, ready to conceive and on schedule to calve at 2 years of age

"At this point in the year, typically if we've got normal wheat pasture in Oklahoma, it's relatively easy to get those heifers to that target weight, but if we've been in a situation with limited hay and feed resources and we've not had any winter cool-season grass to graze, we might want to take inventory of those heifers," said Mark Johnson, OSU Extension beef cattle breeding specialist. "If we've got some wheat pasture coming on or just need to adjust our feeding program, we've still got time to get those heifers to where they need to be to breed at 2 years of age."

Body Condition score of cow herd

Heifers should be at about a 6

Cows should be at a 5 1/2

Monitoring body condition scores is as important as it's ever been this

year because of the large amount of nontraditional hays that have been fed

"Different feeding programs that we consider are supplemental feed, mineral supplementation and protein supplementation," Johnson said. "You could add in an ionophore to cows' diets if we need to put on a little weight and body condition score going into calving season. That way, we can get prompt breed back and keep them on schedule for calving once a year."

Deworming

Deworming can be the least expensive way for cattle to maintain or add body conditioning. Johnson recommends check-

ing records and analyzing the cost effectiveness of deworming the herd.

Read more about preventing bloat in the Feb. 6 issue of OSU Extension's Cow-Calf Corner Newsletter.

OSU Extension uses

research-based information to help all Oklahomans solve local issues and concerns, promote leadership and manage resources wisely throughout the state's 77 counties. Most information is available at little to no cost.



**Sheryl's GARDENS**

Bedding Plants • Vegetable Plants • Hanging Baskets

405-202-8195

Call for Hours

2 miles west of Paden, 3/4 mile North

# Ten Tips For Starting a Garden on Your Property

1. Pick the right location—ideally, a sunny site! Most vegetables need at least 6 hours of sun a day. Some crops such as lettuce and spinach, and other greens will grow well in your partially sunny spots, but sun-loving plants like tomatoes and peppers need as much light as possible.

2. Keep it close to home. A location near your house will make it easier for you to tend your plot regularly and will also make it convenient to run out and pick what you need for a meal.

3. Only grow things your family likes to eat. There's no sense in spending all your time and energy (and money) growing things you won't enjoy or that will go to waste! Browse our library of Growing Guides to find veggies that

spark your eye.

4. Water needs to be readily available. Nothing burns out a beginning gardener faster than having to lug water to thirsty plants during a heat wave. Consider investing in a quality hose with a sprayer attachment or, even better, a drip irrigation system.

5. Good soil is the key to a successful garden. Plants depend on the soil for nutrients, stability, and drainage. To grow your best garden, start with well-drained, sandy loam and add as much organic matter as possible.

6. Amend your soil. Compost, leaf mold, or well-aged manure will increase the ability of your soil to both drain well and hold moisture—the sponge factor. However, never use fresh manure! It can harbor dangerous patho-

gens and will burn tender plant roots. Compost it for at least 6 to 12 months.

7. Seeds or plants? Most garden vegetables can be directly seeded where they are to grow—lettuce, beans, carrots, beets, chard, spinach, peas, cucumbers, and squash. Things that take longer to produce an edible fruit do better with a head start. Purchase transplants for tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, and melons or start your own indoors 6 to 8 weeks before planting them outside.

8. Choose varieties that will mature in your growing season. See the Almanac Planting Calendar for planting dates based on the first and last frost dates and length of the growing season in your area.

9. Keep your garden productive by staggering plantings of fast-maturing veggies such as beans and lettuce and replanting other areas as they are harvested. Don't plant all at once!

10. Use raised garden beds or containers if you don't have much space to work with. If you have impossibly rocky soil or solid clay, consider building some raised beds that you can fill with good soil. Growing vegetables in containers is another option. If you want an instant garden, try grow bags.

S&S

*Large Selection of Food & Supplies*

FARM CENTER

Valu Pak • Diamond • Victor & Many More!

302 S. Beard, Shawnee OK . . . . . 405-273-6907

SEMINOLE VETERINARY HOSPITAL



Pet Boarding Discounts

We are offering Pet Boarding Service Discounts during the months of March, April, and May! Our discounted rate is \$15.50. This is a savings of roughly \$3.00 a day!

We are proud to provide Seminole, OK and the surrounding communities with boarding services. We practice the highest standards of care and cleanliness for patients staying with us.

**Dr. Eli Landry & Dr. Cassi Landry**  
1700 N. Harvey Road Seminole, OK  
405-382-5545

**COME BY AND SEE US FOR THE BEST DEALS!**



**HUSTLER ZERO TURN MOWERS**



**"Raptor x42" 2023 Spring Promotional**  
Prices Starting at \$3,999.00

**TOWN AND COUNTRY AUTO, INC.**

36687 Highway 270  
Wewoka, OK  
(405) 257-6275



2222 N. Milt Phillips  
Seminole, OK  
(405) 382-2222

Serving Oklahoma's Farming & Ranching Industry.



*Let us help you with:*

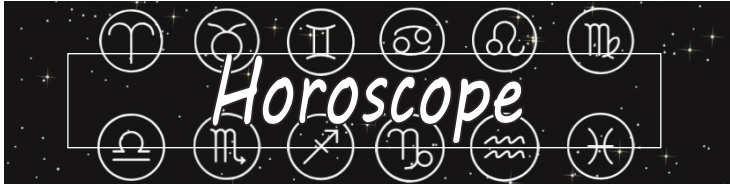
- ✓ Operating Loans
- ✓ Livestock Loans
- ✓ Farm & Ranch Loans
- ✓ Equipment Loans
- ✓ Real Estate Loans
- ✓ Operating & Checking Accounts

210 S. Mekusukye Ave • Wewoka, OK • (405) 257-5411  
206 W. Wanda Jackson Blvd • Maud, OK • (405) 374-2265  
824 N. Milt Phillips • Seminole, OK • (405) 303-2265



*Banking Generations*  
www.ssbok.com

Member FDIC. Equal Housing Lender.



**FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023**

Don't procrastinate when there is so much to do and so little time to finish what you start. Figure out what to keep and what to discard. Less time spent thinking will give you more time to act. Your accomplishments this year will leave you feeling very uncomfortable.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) -- Sign up for something that makes you proud and grateful. Get involved, take a stand and make a statement. Be the guiding light for others and instigate what you want to see happen.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) -- Make the changes that will improve your life and point you in a direction that brings you the joy and contacts you need. Participate in something that matters and see what happens.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) -- You're on the right path; now join forces with like-minded people and see what you can do. Don't hide in the background; make your mark, be proud of who you are and inspire others.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) -- Silence is golden when you don't have anything but criticism to offer. Look for the good in yourself and those around you. Encouragement is the best way to get things done and to get along with others.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't overestimate what you know when there is still plenty to learn. Open your mind and dive into available knowledge, and you'll gain a different perspective. Let go of nonsense.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept.

22) -- You are in a position to improve your life. Travel and personal growth are all possible if you connect with people who can help you reach your goal. Romance will improve your life.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Be practical, and you'll discover how to gain financial freedom and ease stress. Take better care of what matters to you. Seek out opportunities, projects and proposals.

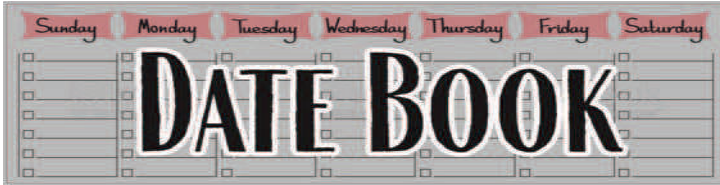
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Use your imagination and make home improvements that will promote efficiency and peace of mind. A change of plans will make you question some of your connections.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Devise a plan to make your home and lifestyle more convenient and cost-efficient. Refuse to argue with someone too stubborn to see things your way. Discard what isn't working for you anymore.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Don't start something you cannot finish. Be a good listener, think matters through and do what's best for everyone. Focus on love, compromise and compassion.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Keep your eyes on what matters. Dismiss whatever is in your way. Having a clear passage forward will give you the drive to reach your mark and outperform anyone trying to compete.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Consider what you enjoy doing and turn it into something lucrative. How you go about achieving your dreams will make a difference. Be open to suggestions and verify information.



**FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023**

Today is the 83rd day of 2023 and the fifth day of spring.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** In 1882, Robert Koch announced the discovery of the tuberculosis bacterium.

In 1958, Elvis Presley reported to the Memphis Draft Board and began service in the U.S. Army.

In 1989, the Exxon Valdez ran aground in Prince William Sound, spilling millions of gallons of oil off the coast of Alaska.

In 1999, the NATO alliance began air strikes against Yugoslavia.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Andrew W. Mellon (1855-1937), financier; Harry Houdini (1874-1926), magician; Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle (1887-1933), comedian/director; Thomas Dewey (1902-1971), politician; Joseph Barbera (1911-2006), animator; Steve McQueen (1930-1980), actor; R. Lee Ermey (1944-2018), actor; Tommy Hilfiger (1951-), fashion designer; Star Jones (1962-), TV personality; Tig Notaro (1971-), comedian; Jim Parsons (1973-), actor; Alyson Hannigan (1974-), actress; Peyton Manning

(1976-), football player; Jessica Chastain (1977-), actress; Lake Bell (1979-), actress.

**TODAY'S FACT:** The Exxon Valdez was repaired and returned to service following its 1989 oil spill. It continued in operation under different names and ownership before being beached for scrap in India in August 2012.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** In 1936, the Detroit Red Wings won the longest game in NHL history, scoring in the sixth overtime period of a playoff game to beat the Montreal Maroons 1-0.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "We have grown up watching women be used as props on a man's journey. It's not our fault that that's what we saw as children. But we need to acknowledge that and do better." -- Jessica Chastain

**TODAY'S NUMBER:** 19 -- minutes of footage broadcast to normal American televisions on this date in 1965 by the Ranger 9 lunar probe before its intentional impact with the moon's surface.

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between new moon (March 21) and first quarter moon (March 28).

**Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Landscape
- 5 Pedestal support
- 9 Wedding rental
- 12 Slightest trace
- 13 Make sharper
- 14 Exploit
- 15 MP's prey
- 16 Gallivant
- 17 Roll
- 18 Short sock
- 20 "Lohen-grin" or "Tosca"
- 22 Response to a rodent
- 23 Deflect a blow
- 24 Plugged in
- 27 Radius's companion
- 28 NBA official
- 29 Norse character
- 31 Dallas cagers
- 35 Game show name
- 37 Conceal
- 39 Thai neighbor
- 40 Heart of the matter

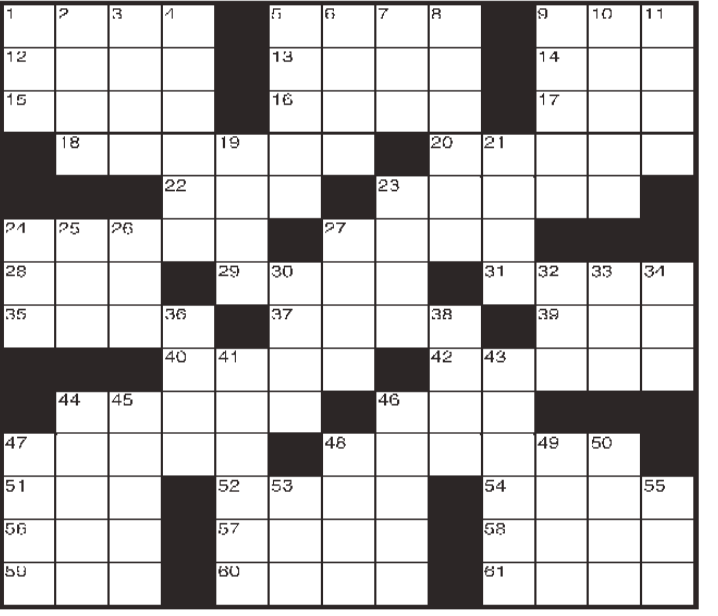
**DOWN**

- 1 Airliner
- 2 Departure
- 3 James Bond's school
- 4 Pedestrian
- 5 "Beauty and the Beast" remake
- 6 Plunder
- 7 Santa winds
- 8 Cry about
- 9 Edible root
- 10 Excessive interest
- 11 Warrior princess
- 19 Ogle
- 21 A nanny pushes it
- 23 Begged
- 24 Limb
- 25 Minusculic loc.
- 26 Kenya's loc.
- 27 PC system
- 30 "Nah!" (hyph.)
- 32 Hgt.
- 33 Cauldron
- 34 Tofu base

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**



- 6 Plunder
- 7 Santa winds
- 8 Cry about
- 9 Edible root
- 10 Excessive interest
- 11 Warrior princess
- 19 Ogle
- 21 A nanny pushes it
- 23 Begged
- 24 Limb
- 25 Minusculic loc.
- 26 Kenya's loc.
- 27 PC system
- 30 "Nah!" (hyph.)
- 32 Hgt.
- 33 Cauldron
- 34 Tofu base
- 36 Playback machines of yore
- 38 Novelist -- Bagnold
- 41 Fluster
- 43 Different
- 44 Senior
- 45 Almond confection
- 46 Spoke (up)
- 47 Digestive juice
- 48 Mex. miss
- 49 Sicily's erupter
- 50 Antlered ruminant
- 53 Calendar abbr.
- 55 Actor -- Gibson



3-24 © 2023 UFS, Dist. by Andrews McMeel Syndication for UFS

**♦ FACT OF THE DAY ♦**

**Did you know?**

There are about 169 volcanoes in the U.S. that are considered active, most of which are located in Alaska. One of the most active volcanos on Earth is the Kilauea volcano in Hawaii, which has been erupting almost continuously since 1983.



**Dear Abby**

**Friend With Benefits Still Benefiting After Engagement**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023**

**DEAR ABBY:** I lost my husband of 20 years a little over two years ago. Last year, I moved to another state to be close to family. I rented an apartment, and my best friend moved with me. Shortly after, I met a much younger man. He was immediately interested in me. He's sweet, kind and very handsome. It took me months to realize that I'm also interested in him.

We began spending time together, including bedroom fun. He has told me at least twice he loves me, and I told him the same. His demeanor and expressions match his words, and we agreed for the time being to be friends with benefits.

Three months ago, he met someone much closer to his age. But even in front of her he holds me close and tells me he loves me. She has now slapped a ring on his finger and is pushing him for marriage. He keeps saying he's not ready. We feel that until the day he says "I do," it's OK for us to continue our bedroom fun. I'm new to the dating world, and he's my first since my husband passed. Am I doing the right thing? -- **LOVING THE FUN IN WASHINGTON**

**DEAR LOVING:** It is extremely difficult to hit a moving target. No one "slaps a ring" on another person's finger unless that person holds still for it. You are NOT doing the right thing by continuing to sleep with this man. In fact, you may be heading for a painful fall. When he marries his fiancée, you will be history once she realizes you are more than a good friend he "loves" but also a former bed partner.

**DEAR ABBY:** Our family has a thrilling story in its history about our grandfather and his brothers rescuing the family's player piano from their burning house. The house burned to the ground, and they lost nearly everything but the piano, which is now shuffled among family members' homes.

It's not particularly attractive, and it's certainly not playable even as a regular piano. It's one of the cheap, mass-produced, no-name models that were popular in the 1920s. There are relatives who are desperate to keep it in the family, but who don't have the space to store it or the money to refurbish it.

I'm not sentimental. If it were dumped on me, I'd throw it out. I told them they should take lots of photos of it and get rid of it. If some family members rescued a giant TV set from a fire, it wouldn't make sense to keep it around for 100 years.

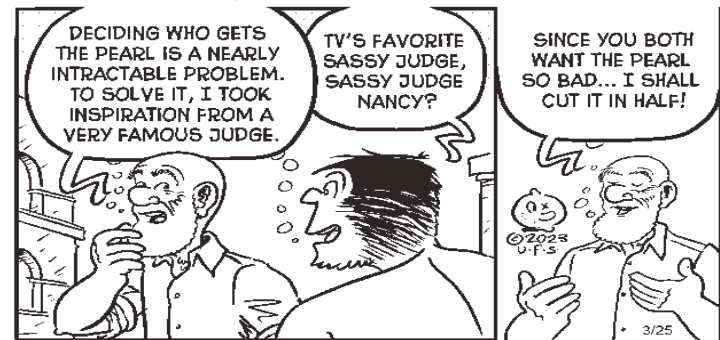
I'm sure they enjoyed the player piano as a source of entertainment in its time, but that time has passed. My question is, how do you get people to let go of material possessions that have become a huge burden? -- **UNFINISHED SONG IN NEW JERSEY**

**DEAR UNFINISHED:** You stated that if someone gave you that old piano, you would junk it. If someone wants to give it a home, that is where it should go. I'm having trouble understanding why the fate of that instrument is your problem. Make it clear to your relatives that you want nothing to do with that piece of furniture and let it go.

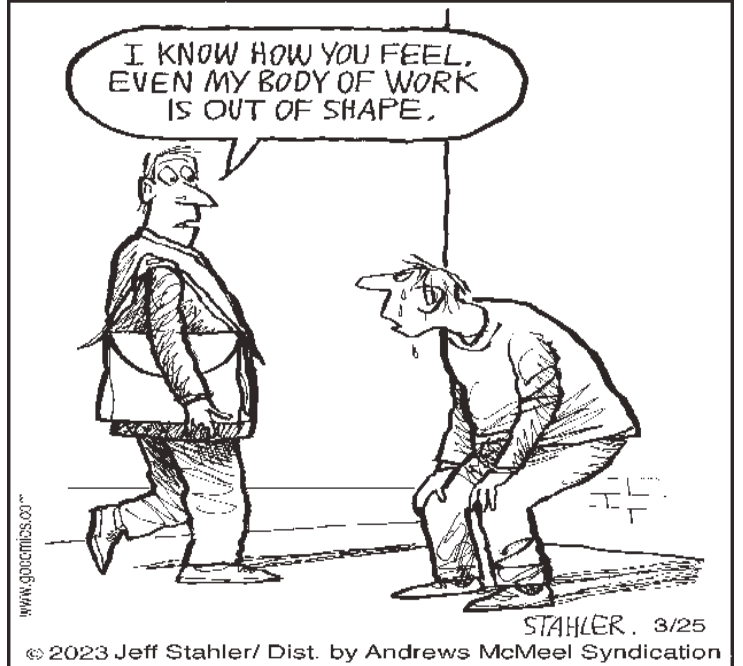
**HERMAN® by Jim Unger**



**ALLEY OOP® by Dave Graue and Jack Bender**



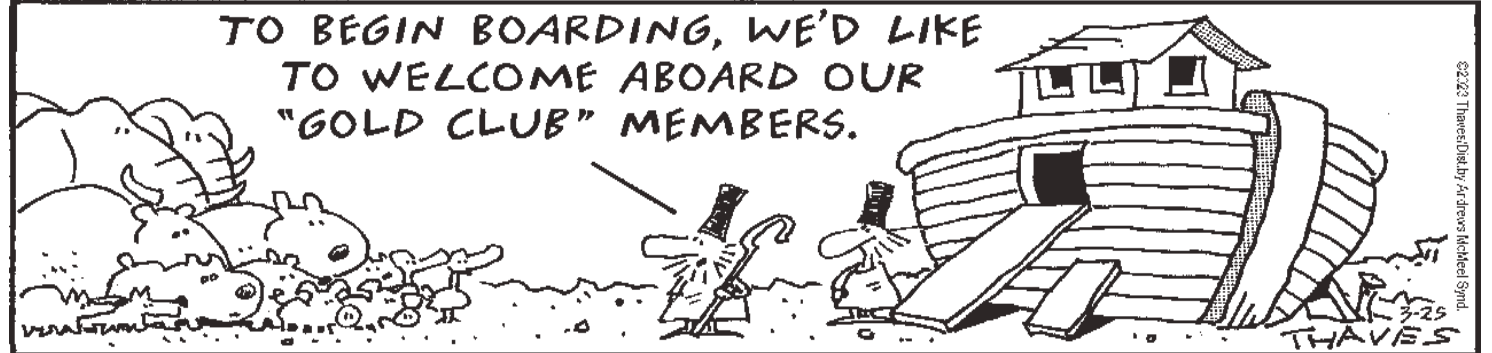
**MODERATELY CONFUSED**



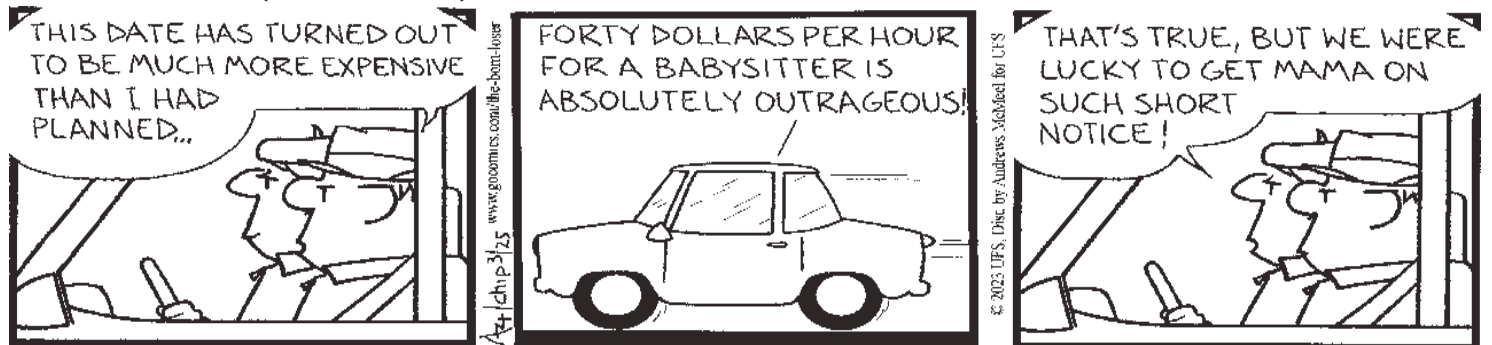
**THE GRIZZWELLS® by Bill Schorr**



**FRANK & ERNEST® by Bob Thaves**



**BORN LOSER® by Art and Chip Sansom**



# Seminole Producer Classifieds (405) 382-1100



We are always looking to add more great people

## HELP WANTED

Now hiring reliable employees for the following positions:

- Entry Level Production
- Assistant Supervisors
- Fork Lift Operators
- Experienced Maintenance Employees

Full-time • No Weekends  
Competitive Pay with Benefits  
Monthly Production Bonuses

To apply, stop by our Wewoka shop and fill out an application  
300 N. Wewoka Ave Wewoka, OK 74884

### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination."

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.



### 20. GARAGE SALES

Inside Sale! Friday and Saturday, Opens at 9 a.m. 1100 N. University. Temple of Praise.

### 50. PERSONALS

Narcotics Anonymous meets at 322 N 4th, Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Thursday 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 5 p.m. Business meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Contact Dana at 405-382-0948 for information.

Information for Alcoholics Anonymous meetings contact Gary K 405-683-2135 or Sherry L. 405-303-2769  
CAXCA

## WATER SUPERINTENDENT

**Okfuskee County RWD #1 of Boley, Oklahoma is looking to immediately hire and fill the position of our Water Superintendent. The ideal Candidate will have a Class D Water and Wastewater License from Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality. However, it is not required to apply for this position and license should be obtained within 90 days of employment. Yearly Salary \$31,250 for full-time & part-time salary is negotiable. For more information, call (918) 667-3395.**

## SUDOKU

	3	8			7			
5						4		
			5				6	
		3		6				
1	4							7
			4	9				
3						2	5	
				2	6		8	4
		7			1			

Level: Advanced

### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

9	8	6	1	5	8	7	2	4
4	8	7	6	2	3	9	5	1
3	8	6	7	9	4	2	5	1
3	9	5	1	6	7	4	2	8
7	9	6	3	8	2	5	4	1
7	9	3	1	6	5	8	4	2
9	3	8	5	1	4	7	2	6
8	9	3	6	8	2	4	7	5
6	3	8	9	4	7	1	2	5

ANSWER:

### Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

EST. 1997



**PAM ROBINSON**  
REAL ESTATE, INC

(405) 382-SOLD (7653)

ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS - ALL IN ONE PLACE  
OVER 62 COMBINED YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

PAM ROBINSON REAL ESTATE, INC.  
"WE WORK UNTIL THE JOB IS DONE"

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW OUR LISTINGS AND MEET OUR AGENTS OR GIVE US A CALL!  
WWW.PAMROBINSONREALESTATE.COM

### 70. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple of Praise, Pastors Jeff & Naoma Nance.. One GOD, One church, One family. Pastor JeffNance@att.net Service Times - Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning 11am, Sunday Evening 6pm, Wednesday Evening 6:30pm, 382-0503. Find us on YouTube: Temple of Praise PCG. (Find your destiny PCG) 1100 N. University

Recovery In Christ, 12 Step Open Recovery Meeting every Sunday night 5:00 pm, 2704 Hwy 3N Community of Christ Church Come join us in recovery. For more info call Jim 405-308-2354.

Recovery In Christ, 12 Step Open Recovery Meeting every Sunday night 5:00 pm, 2704 Hwy 3N Community of Christ Church Come join us in recovery. For more info call Jim 405-308-2354.

www.WillisStorage.com 1405 E. Broadway and 1308 Boren, sizes are 5x10, 10x10, 10x15, 10x20, cell #405-380-6301

Come Shop with us! Tugboat's Craft Show, Friday March 31st and Saturday April 1st, from 9a.m till 6 p.m. Inside Tecumseh City Hall at 114 N. Broadway.  
CAXCA

### FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN

Seminole Public Schools is looking for a full-time custodian to work in our district. If you are interested in becoming a member of our team please email ddean@sps.k12.ok.us. Support staff applications are available on our website. www.sps.k12.ok.us

### 70. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recovery In Christ, 12 Step Open Recovery Meeting every Sunday night 5:00 pm, 2704 Hwy 3N Community of Christ Church Come join us in recovery. For more info call Jim 405-308-2354.

### 120. HELP WANTED

Accepting applications for LPNs at Oakridge Home, a facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Medical, vision, dental, life insurance, paid vacation, competitive wages and direct deposit available. Applications are available @ Oakridge home 7th & Compton in Wewoka or online at oakridgehomellc.com

Need a job? Looking for that new employee? Have items for sale or need to sell? Want to advertise your business...sell your home? Whatever your advertising needs are the Seminole Producer can help. Call by 121 N. Main or call 382-1100 to place an ad today!

CLASSIFIEDS - Sell your cars, real estate, pets, crafts, etc. the EASY WAY! Call Today! Seminole Producer 382-1100.

### 120. HELP WANTED

Begin a rewarding career in the Healthcare industry with Oakridge home in Wewoka. Developed mental Disabled Care Aide DDCA/CNAs' positions available on all shifts working with individuals with intellectual disabilities. Oakridge home will train and pay for initial certification for DDCA's. Medical, vision, dental, life insurance and paid vacation and competitive wages. Applications are available at Oakridge Home 7th & Compton, Wewoka or online at oakridgehomellc.com

Positions open for New Age Nutrition Senior Center. Call Bridgette, (405) 257-6230.  
CAXCA

### 160. SERVICE DIRECTORY

Handyman, guaranteed work, carpentry, cement, roofing, 25 years experience, 405-915-4930

### 175. LAWN SERVICES

Patterson complete lawn & Handyman service, auto & equipment repair, hauling, fencing, spraying, 405-220-6147

### 220. AUTOMOBILES

DONATE YOUR Car to the Seminole Historical Society Help the Museum and lower your taxes. Call 382-1500 for more info.

### 240. RVs & CAMPERS

2004 Sunrise Itasca Motorhome, 32 FT, V10 Ford motor, all appliances work, 49,000 Original miles, \$24,000 or take over payments. Call Nathan Walker, (770)539-1504.

Give your business a boost! Prepare for new customers and clients by advertising in The Seminole Producer. Call 382-1100 or stop by our office at 121 N. Main in Seminole. Submit your ad online at SeminoleProducer.com

# Wrangler

We are HIRING!

## DAY & NIGHT SHIFTS

Wrangler Distribution Center

1400 W. Wrangler Blvd • Hwy 9

Seminole, OK 74868 • (405) 382-7447

**\$500 Sign on Bonus**

Bonus will payout after 6 months of employment

Apply Online:

**Kontoorbrands.com/careers**

For additional assistance, please contact

**Seminole Workforce**

**229 N. Second**

Equal Opportunity Employer

### 240. RVs & CAMPERS

Looking for a GOOD DEAL? Find it fast in the Seminole Producer Classified Section. Come by 121 N. Main or call 382-1100 to place an ad today!

### 330. LIVESTOCK

Ducks for sale! 2 male and 1 female, \$25.00, 1 male \$10.00, 3 males \$24.00, 4 males \$20.00, will work with you on price. Call (405) 328-4062, text (405)328-0188.

### 360. FOR SALE MISCELLANEOUS

Like new household appliances, washer, dryer, deep freezers, refrigerator, air conditioners we also buy used and broke appliances. Have service techs on hand for repairs at The Toolbox 114 N mit phillips, 382-1051.

### 520. APARTMENTS

813 N University, Remodeled 1 & 2 Bedroom, all bills paid. 405-382-1212

### 530. HOUSES FOR RENT

Mobile Home for rent, 27 acres, 2 bedroom. \$825 a month plus one month deposit. 1/2 mile South of Hwy 270 on N.S 3600. Call (405)388-4236.

### 590. MOBILE HOMES

2 Bedroom Mobile Home for rent. (405) 220-8192.  
CAXCA

Have items to sell? Call 382-1100 and place an ad in the Seminole Producer classified section.

The CLASSIFIEDS are an Easy Sell! Call today The Seminole Producer 382-1100.

### OSBORN TREE SERVICE

Specializing in hazardous removal.  
www.osborntreeservice.com  
**580.399.4499**

### WE BUY JUNK VEHICLES

**405-584-1573**

### CAROLE & Company

Real Estate, Appraisals, Etc.  
**382-3689**  
Carole O'Daniel Broker  
Kevin O'Daniel Associate  
Callie Crabtree Associate

North Milt Phillips Ave, Seminole, OK  
38,712 sf or 0.88 acre, mol, \$155,650

12939 N 3550, Seminole, OK  
Metal shop, pond, metal home with major tornado damage, 5 ac mol. Great building site, \$75,000.

1423 W Wrangler Blvd, Seminole, OK  
2 bed, 1 bath, home, 808 sqft+, 15,937 sqft- lot, zoned C-1, \$179,000

Smith St & John St. 8 ac, mol, ideal building sites, zoned R-1 & R-2, Seller will divide. \$155,000

Visit our website @ www.caroleandcompany.com  
Please call for additional information on these listings plus many others!

## GENERAC

Prepare for power outages with a Generac home standby generator

REQUEST A FREE QUOTE!  
**833-307-1306**

**FREE**

7-Year Extended Warranty\*  
A \$695 Value!

Limited Time Offer - Call for Details

Special Financing Available

Subject to Credit Approval

\*To qualify, consumers must request a quote, purchase, install and activate the generator with a participating dealer. Call for a full list of terms and conditions.



# News

## Provider at The Clinic Takes Healthcare Skills on Mission Trip

News Release

In an effort to elevate the physical and spiritual well-being of a community in need, Dr. Josh Priddle of The Clinic recently traveled on a mission trip to Dominican Republic.

"I have felt called to serve in medical missions, even before I went to school to be a doctor," said Priddle, who specializes in Sports Medicine for The Clinic. "I read an autobiography of Bill Wallace, a surgeon who did medical missions in China, and I believe that book was used by God to change my career path. This is the reason I went into medicine in the first place – to share the love of Jesus by helping meet physical needs through medicine."

The mission trip to Dominican Republic was sponsored by Priddle's church, and The Clinic donated about 75 percent of the healthcare supplies used at the pop-up clinic there. Priddle, with the help of a local Dominican physician, examined 133 patients in six hours ranging from months old to patients in their middle 90's. Not surprisingly, Priddle found different healthcare needs than those more commonly seen back home.

"The majority of patients I treated did not have the typically chronic diseases that we see here in America," Priddle said. "They generally weighed less, had great cardiovascular fitness, and didn't suffer from hypertension – except for a few

I didn't see many cases of diabetes, but they had different issues such as fungal and parasite infections that we don't see here as often. I did, however, encounter flu-like symptoms similar to what we see here."

Priddle said his pastor, Brad Graves, has been organizing the mission trip for a couple of years. Priddle was able to bring his wife and son, who celebrated his 11th birthday while there. The group was also joined by fellow church member and Chickasaw Nation pharmacist Randy Steers, who distributed over-the-counter medications that were purchased primarily from The Clinic.

"The poorest have access to free, socialized care," Priddle said. "However, most of them still end up paying out-of-pocket for medical supplies and various services. We worked in the poor villages of southern Dominican Republic, where people live in shacks that are not as nice as many of the barns are here. There's a huge need for God and medical services there."

Despite the abject conditions, Priddle said he was very impressed by how friendly and kind the Dominicans were throughout his visit.

"They welcomed us and I don't think it was just because we were there to help," he said. "They are a genuinely joyful people."

When not working, Priddle and his family were able to enjoy historical Santo

Domingo, where Christopher Columbus reportedly first landed and also home to the first hospital in the Americas. He said he especially enjoyed quietly studying his Bible on the roof of the hotel as he watched the sun rise over the Atlantic Ocean.

Now back to work at The Clinic, Priddle brought home with him an appreciation of all walks of life and a resolution to help with any healthcare challenges he meets.

"I believe God has called me to a life of service and to help others – wherever and whenever I am needed," he said.

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Priddle or any of The Clinic's providers, please call (580) 436-5111.

The Clinic @ Central Oklahoma Family Medical Center, or "The Clinic," is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) meeting a stringent set of requirements, including care services on a sliding-fee scale based on federal poverty guidelines. Governed by a board of directors, including patient directors, The Clinic remains thoroughly invested in the needs of patients and its service areas. The Clinic currently operates in four Oklahoma communities – Konawa, Ada, Stratford, and Seminole. To learn more about The Clinic, The Women's Clinic and The Kids Clinic, please visit [www.cofmc.com](http://www.cofmc.com).



Dr. Josh Priddle of The Clinic recently traveled on a mission trip to Dominican Republic. Priddle, with the help of a local Dominican physician, examined 133 patients in six hours. (Photo provided)

## UCO School of Design Wins 100 Student Awards at OKC ADDYs

News Release

The University of Central Oklahoma School of Design brought home 100 student awards—29 gold, 50 silver and 21 bronze—at the 2023 Oklahoma City American Advertising Awards (ADDYs).

Central Design student Youser Kassim won the Best of University category for her integrated brand identity campaign "Up Route."

In the professional category, Cynthia Luong, graphic designer for the UCO College of Fine Arts and Design, earned a gold award for "T Minus X" and a silver award for "The Golden Ratio" as a part of the special event materials category.

UCO Design also

received the BRAGGY Award for the 13th consecutive year, which is awarded to the university with the most winners. Gold ADDY winners move forward to compete in the district 10 competition, followed by the National American Advertising Federation (AAF) Awards.

"Once again, UCO graphic design students made an impressive showing at the local ADDYs this year," said Valerie Settles, Ph.D., director of the UCO School of Design.

"The award-winning work they produce in the program translates into award-winning work they produce in the design community as they move into the profession. We

are so proud of the confident, skilled designers they are becoming."

The ADDYs is the largest competition in the U.S. for advertising design, attracting more than 40,000 entries every year. The ADDYs is a three-tier competition, starting with local club competition, in which winners are invited to compete at the second-tier district level. District ADDY winners are then invited to compete on the national stage.

For more information about the UCO School of Design, visit [design.uco.edu](http://design.uco.edu).

For more information about the UCO College of Fine Arts and Design events, visit [cfad.uco.edu](http://cfad.uco.edu).

## SHINING-A-LIGHT ON AUTISM AUTO SHOW & CONTEST

Sponsored by  
**SEMINOLE Arts COUNCIL**

Cars, Trucks, Bikes & More!!



**100 BLOCK N. MAIN SEMINOLE, OK APRIL 1, 2023**  
**JUDGING @ 3PM**

\$25/entry per class - Multiple Classes & Categories - Hourly Door Prizes - Dash Tags - 1st place trophy for each category - All proceeds go to Special Education Classrooms in Seminole County

**REGISTRATION @ 8AM**

SCAN THIS WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA TO REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE



Request a printable registration form by emailing [seminoleartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:seminoleartscouncil@gmail.com)



## VISIT US IN SEMINOLE

**Seminole Chamber of Commerce 14th Annual Made In Oklahoma Festival Business Expo & Car Show**

**Saturday April 1st, 2023 • 10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

Spend the weekend with us and your family and friends at our Festival in Downtown Seminole! There will be so much to see and do. Shop, eat, and play all day.



•Over 150 unique vendors representing Made In Oklahoma products, wineries, businesses, and food. Local Downtown Merchants will be open also. - 405-382-3640

•OBI Blood Drive Mobile Bus Unit - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

All types needed! Call for appointments - 405-382-3640



•Seminole Cornhole - Made In Oklahoma Cornhole Tournament - 10:00 am @ the Seminole Municipal Building - \$40 per team - BYOP Double Elimination Register on the Schoreholio App - 405-308-9746

•Festival T-Shirts available for purchase while supplies last - (\$10)



•Shining a Light on Autism Auto Show & Contest - Registration at 8:00 am - Judging at 3:00 pm - \$25 early entry - 405-303-1191 or [seminoleartscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:seminoleartscouncil@gmail.com)

•Hotels available for overnight stays - Best Western - 405-382-3139, Rexdale Inn - 405-382-7002, Executive Inn - 405-382-6800, and Holiday Inn Express (Shawnee) - 405-275-8880



•Contact us for additional questions or for registrations. 405-382-3640 or [amybrittchambered@yahoo.com](mailto:amybrittchambered@yahoo.com)

**Thank You to our Top Sponsors The Seminole Chamber Benefactors and Moran Oil Enterprises!**

